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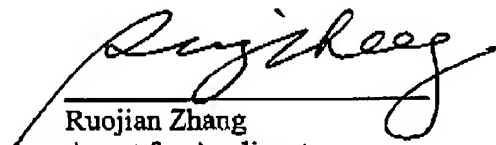
Claims 1, 3-24 and 40-42 were pending in the present application. Claims 1 and 3-24 have been allowed and claims 40-42 were rejected. Rejected claims 40-42 have been cancelled herein. Hence, only allowed claims remain pending, upon entry of this amendment.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that this response complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and entry of this amendment will place the application in condition for allowance. If the Examiner should have any questions, please contact Applicant's agent at the number listed below. No fee is believed due in connection with this filing. However, in the event that there are any fees due, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1065.

Respectfully submitted,

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